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## **An Act To Address Eating Disorders in Maine**

**Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:**

**Sec. 1. Eating disorders initiative.** The Department of Health and Human Services, Maine Center for Disease Control and Prevention shall begin an eating disorders initiative to provide education and assistance to residents of the State suffering from eating disorders. The initiative must be designed to reduce the prevalence and long-term emotional and medical consequences of eating disorders and increase the cost-effectiveness of appropriate treatment, public awareness and coordination of treatment resources. The initiative must be undertaken using existing resources within the department of \$38,500 per year. The department shall report to the Joint Standing Committee on Health and Human Services by May 1, 2008 on the implementation of the eating disorders initiative.

Effective September 20, 2007